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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR YOUR PRESENCE AT EA/NEA LABOR OFFICERS' CONFERENCE NEW DELHI

FROM GOOD FOR AMBASSADOR

1. FROM MARCH 13 THROUGH 17 THE LABOR ATTACHES AND LABOR REPORTING OFFICERS FROM THE EA AND NEA AREAS WILL BE MEETING IN NEW DELHI WITH A NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR AND STATE INCLUDING BOB BROWN AND DICK HOLBROOKE. THESE CONFERENCES ARE USUALLY ADDRESSED BY SEVERAL OF OUR AMBASSADORS FROM KEY COUNTRIES IN THE AREAS. THEIR PARTICIPATION IS ALWAYS A CONFERENCE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HIGHLIGHT. WE WOULD BE MOST
GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD FIND IT POSSIBLE TO SPEND A DAY
WITH US DURING THE CONFERENCE, OR LONGER IF YOU WISHED
TO DO SO. ASIDE FROM ANY OBSERVATIONS DERIVED FROM YOUR
OWN PAST TRADE UNION EXPERIENCE, WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
YOU GIVE AN OVERALL PRESENTATION OF SAY HALF TO THREE
QUARTERS OF AN HOUR ON THE PRC. WHILE THE CONFERENCE

WILL BE INTERESTED IN A BROAD POLITICAL/ECONOMIC OVERVIEW, YOU MAY WISH TO DEVOTE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO CHINA'S ENORMOUS MANPOWER, THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE AND STATUS OF

LABOR AND SIMILAR AREAS OF INTEREST TO A LABOR OFFICER AUDIENCE. THIS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY A DISCUSSION PERIOD.

2. AS THE CONFERENCES EXPENSES ARE ALL PAID FOR OUT OF BLOCKED INDIAN RUPEE FUNDS RESERVED FOR THIS AND OTHER USEFUL PURPOSES THERE WOULD BE NO DRAIN ON POST OR OTHER EA FUNDS. IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME YOU COULD LET ME KNOW PROVISIONALLY BY TELEGRAM AND WE COULD DISCUSS THE DETAILS WHEN YOU ARE IN WASHINGTON IN FEBRUARY. DICK HOLBROOKE WARMLY SECONDS THE IDEA OF EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO THE CONFERENCE TO YOU. VANCE

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